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1. The J. Stalin Foundry in Labedy (Laband-Q 51/Y38) suffered heavy damage during World War II, and in 1945 it was necessary to rebuild it completely.
2. The headquarters of the J. Stalin Foundry are located in Labedy. The headquarters control the following plants:
 - a. J. Stalin Foundry
 - b. Nysa Metal Works
 - c. Consolidated Plants for the Construction of Bicycles in Bydgoszcz (at present, working exclusively for the armed forces)
 - d. Agricultural Machinery Plant in Kutno (this plant constructs tractors on a mass production basis for the Soviet Armed Forces)
 - e. Puszkow Milling Machine Plant, which is now working on airplane parts
 - f. Warsaw Steel Works
3. The J. Stalin Foundry covers an area of about two square kilometers and has 26 buildings, the most important of which are the following:
 - a. Guardhouse
 - b. Two-story building housing the main office and the headquarters of the metallurgical combine.
 - c. Planning office, in which is also located the Soviet control commission.
 - d. Three foundries, each having the same dimensions, 80 by 35 meters; height, 12 meters; glass roof. Each foundry has four furnaces and its own spur line. The foundries have three work shifts, but during each shift, only two of the four furnaces are used in each of the foundries.
 - e. Four smaller buildings, housing various machine shops.
 - f. Electric power plant and engine room.
 - g. Blast furnace built in 1946. It is expected that a second blast furnace will be constructed.
 - h. Warehouse for fuels and iron ore.
 - i. Assembly plant, 45 by 120 meters, 14 meters high, in which the cast pieces are also finished.
 - j. Gas works, supplying gas to the entire plant.
 - k. Smaller buildings with rolling mills, various storage areas, and machine

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shops for the repair of plant equipment.

4. The plant's production consists of the following: cog wheels, various parts for the heavy industry, breechlocks, parts for small arms, and mortars. Once a week, generally on Thursdays, the finished products are shipped out by rail toward unknown warehouses or destinations.
5. Soviet control is very strict, especially in those sections where arms are manufactured. At the present time, the chief of the Soviet control commission is engineer Kolesnikov, a Russian.
6. The capacity of the J. Stalin Foundry depends on the output of the foundries and the blast furnace in operation. At present, daily production is as follows:
 - a. Blast furnace: 190 tons of cast steel.
 - b. Foundry I: 450 quintals.
 - c. Foundry II: 400 quintals.
 - d. Foundry III: 450 quintals.

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